

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
LAKE CHARLES DIVISION

CAROL J. VINCENT

v.

CITY OF SULPHUR, ET AL.

* CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:17-CV-00573

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* JUDGE WALTER

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* MAGISTRATE JUDGE KAY

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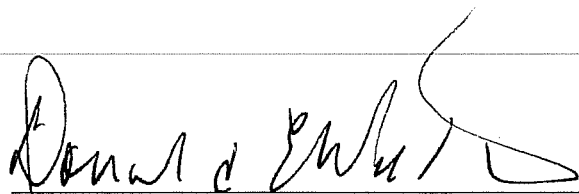
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JUDGMENT

For the reasons stated in the Report and Recommendation (Rec. Doc. 7) of the Magistrate Judge previously filed herein, after an independent review of the record, a review of the plaintiff's objection (Rec. Doc. 8), and a *de novo* determination of the issues, the court determines that the findings are correct under applicable law. A parish sheriff's department is not a juridical entity capable of being sued under Louisiana law. *See Cozzo v. Tangipahoa Par. Council--President Gov't*, 279 F.3d 273, 283 (5th Cir. 2002) (citing *Ferguson v. Stephens*, 623 So.2d 711, 714 (La. App. 4th Cir. 1993)). Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that all claims against the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office are
DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 19 day of September, 2017.


DONALD E. WALTER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE